

## House Resolution No. 704

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

**Whereas**, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since William Charles Whitmire lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Shirley Roberts, during a solemn ceremony on February 15, 1958, at the First Baptist Church in Salem, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, in the years since that heavenly day, Charles and Shirley Whitmire have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include two children, Karen Carmier and the Reverend William Chuck Whitmire; and six grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, now retired, Charles Whitmire has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes being the former President of First National Bank, where he currently serves as Chairman; being active in the Methodist Church and the Rotary Club; and volunteering with the Chamber of Commerce; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Shirley Whitmire further distinguished herself by volunteering with the Chamber of Commerce and being a member of the Red Hat Society, the Garden Club, and the Methodist Church, where she is very active in Apple Butter Day events; and

**Whereas**, Charles and Shirley Whitmire have enjoyed many hobbies and pastimes over the years, a few of which include sports, gardening, the great outdoors, and spending time with their loved ones; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Whitmire of Salem commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on February 16, 2008, at Salem United Methodist Church:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Charles and Shirley Whitmire and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. William Charles Whitmire.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jason Smith  
District No. 150

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 704, adopted February 19, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker